

to organize such districts under the provisions of Chapter XL of the Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, approved March 23, 1907, entitled, "Drainage districts, authorizing commissioners courts to establish," and said Act has been deemed insufficient to authorize the establishment of such improvement districts for the purposes herein named, constitutes an emergency and imperative public necessity that the Constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, be suspended, and also that this Act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted:

[NOTE.—The enrolled bill shows that the foregoing Act passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 28, nays 0; and was referred to the House, amended and passed; that the Senate refused to concur in the House amendments, and the bill was referred to a Free Conference Committee; that the Free Conference Committee's report was adopted by the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 26, nays 0; and by the House by the following vote, yeas 116, nays 0.]

Approved March 19, 1909.

Became a law March 19, 1909.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS—REAPPORTIONMENT.

H. B. No. 448.]

CHAPTER 86.

An Act to amend Chapter 5, General Laws First Called Session of the 27th Legislature, entitled "An Act to apportion the State of Texas into Congressional Districts, naming the counties composing the same and providing for the election of a member of the Congress of the United States from each district, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That until otherwise provided by law, the State of Texas shall be apportioned into the following Congressional Districts, each of which shall be entitled to elect one member to the Congress of the United States:

1st. The following counties shall compose the First District, to-wit: Bowie, Red River, Lamar, Delta, Hopkins, Franklin, Titus, Camp, Morris, Cass and Marion.

2nd. The following counties shall compose the Second District, to-wit: Jefferson, Hardin, Orange, Tyler, Jasper, Newton, Sabine, San Augustine, Angelina, Cherokee, Nacogdoches, Shelby, Panola, and Harrison.

3rd. The following counties shall compose the Third District, to-wit: Wood, Upshur, Gregg, Rusk, Smith, Henderson, Van Zandt, and Kaufman.

4th. The following counties shall compose the Fourth District, to-wit: Grayson, Collin, Fannin, Hunt and Rains.

5th. The following counties shall compose the Fifth District, to-wit: Dallas, Rockwall, Ellis, Hill and Bosque.

6th. The following counties shall compose the Sixth District, to-wit: Navarro, Freestone, Limestone, Robertson, Brazos and Milam.

7th. The following counties shall compose the Seventh District, to-

wit: Anderson, Houston, Trinity, Polk, San Jacinto, Liberty, Chambers and Galveston.

8th. The following counties shall compose the Eighth District, to-wit: Harris, Fort Bend, Austin, Waller, Montgomery, Grimes, Walker, Madison and Leon.

9th. The following counties shall compose the Ninth District, to-wit: Gonzales, Fayette, Colorado, Wharton, Matagorda, Brazoria, Jackson, Lavaca, De Witt, Victoria, Calhoun, Aransas, Refugio Goliad and Karnes.

10th. The following counties shall compose the Tenth District, to-wit: Williamson, Travis, Hays, Caldwell, Bastrop, Lee, Burleson and Washington.

11th. The following counties shall compose the Eleventh District, to-wit: McLennan, Falls, Bell, Coryell and Hamilton.

12th. The following counties shall compose the Twelfth District, to-wit: Tarrant, Parker, Johnson, Hood, Somervell, Erath and Comanche.

13th. The following counties shall compose the Thirteenth District, to-wit: Cooke, Denton, Wise, Montague, Clay, Jack, Young, Wichita, Archer, Wilbarger, Baylor, Throckmorton, Knox, Foard, Hardeman, Cottle, Motley, Dickens, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Bailey, Childress, Hall, Briscoe, Swisher, Castro, Parmer, Deaf Smith, Randall, Armstrong, Donley, Collingsworth, Wheeler, Gray, Carson, Potter, Oldham, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Roberts, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Hansford, Sherman and Dallam.

14th. The following counties shall compose the Fourteenth District, to-wit: Bexar, Comal, Kendall, Kerr, Gillespie, Blanco, Burnet, Llano, Mason, McCulloch, San Saba, Lampasas, Mills, Brown and Coleman.

15th. The following counties shall compose the Fifteenth District, to-wit: Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Zapata, Webb, Duval, Nueces, San Patricio, Live Oak, Atascosa, Wilson, Guadalupe, McMullen, La Salle, Dimmit, Maverick, Zavala, Frio, Medina, Uvalde, Kinney, Val Verde, Terrell, Bandera and Bee.

16th. The following counties shall compose the Sixteenth District, to-wit: El Paso, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Brewster, Pecos, Crockett, Schleicher, Sutton, Edwards, Kimble, Menard, Concho, Tom Green, Irion, Upton, Crane, Ward, Reeves, Loving, Winkler, Ector, Midland, Glasscock, Sterling, Coke, Runnels, Eastland, Callahan, Taylor, Nolan, Mitchell, Howard, Martin, Andrews, Gaines, Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Jones, Shackelford, Stephens, Palo Pinto, Haskell, Stonewall, King, Kent, Garza, Crosby, Lubbock, Lynn, Terry, Yoakum, Cochran and Hockley.

SEC. 2. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. The near approach of the close of the present Session creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this Act be placed on its third reading and final passage, and it is so enacted.

Approved March 20, 1909.

Takes effect ninety days after adjournment.